

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 IO-13 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05  
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R 061019Z JUL 78  
FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8943  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
AMEMBASSY SANA

C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 2969

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, ET, YE  
SUBJECT: ETHIOPIA MAKES FRIENDLY GESTURE TO CONSERVATIVE ARABS

THERE HAS BEEN ANOTHER STRAW IN THE WIND THIS WEEK  
INDICATING ETHIOPIAN LEADERSHIP IS SEEKING GREATER  
BALANCE IN ITS FOREIGN RELATIONS, OR AT LEAST APPEARANCE  
OF SUCH. YAR CONDOLENCE BOOK WAS SIGNED BY FOUR HIGH-  
RANKING OFFICIALS: CAPTAIN FIKRE-SELASSIE WOGDERESS,  
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY ADMINISTRA-  
TIVE COUNCIL (PMAC OR DIRG); LT. COL. BERHANU BAYEH,  
PMAC STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER IN CHARGE OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS; MAJOR ENDALE TESSEMA, PMAC STANDING COMMITTEE  
MEMBER IN CHARGE OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS; FOREIGN MINISTER  
DR. COL. FELEKE GEDLE-GIORGIS. STORY WAS GIVEN WIDE  
MEDIA COVERAGE AND HAS BEEN NOTED FAVORABLY BY YAR,  
SAUDI AND EGYPTIAN EMBASSIES IN ADDIS. RELATIONS  
BETWEEN YAR AND SOCIALIST ETHIOPIA, THOUGH NOT SEVERELY  
STRAINED, HAVE BEEN PRETTY CHILLY DURING PAST YEAR.  
GESTURE WOULD SUPPORT THESIS THAT PMGSE STILL HOPES TO  
INFLUENCE SAUDIS AND OTHER CONSERVATIVE ARABS TO STOP  
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HELPING ERITREA OR AT LEAST NOT TO INTERVENE MORE  
MASSIVELY.  
MATHERON

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